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War Office,

26th June, 1918.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of a Bar to the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men:—

19560 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) D. Boyd, D.C.M., R.E. (Hillsborough).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of an advanced party engaged in developing water supplies for the use of the advancing troops. He carried out his duties in a most capable manner, often under shell fire, and set a splendid example of untiring energy and determination under the most difficult conditions.

(D.C.M. gazetted 18th Feb., 1918.)

20267 C.S.M. H. A. Breslain, D.C.M., M.G.C. (frmly. R. Fus.) (Upper Holloway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When several officers of his company

had become casualties he went forward, took command of a sub-section, and prepared to meet a threatened attack. When the enemy attacked he handled his machine guns with the utmost coolness and skill, and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, who retired in disorder. His courage and initiative were a splendid example to the men.

(D.C.M. gazetted 26th Sept., 1916.)

G/24566 L./Sjt. A. E. Fellows, D.C.M., R. Fus. (Southall).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile attack on our trenches he was of the greatest assistance to his company commander whilst his company was proceeding through an intense barrage to reinforce the front line. Later, he took command of two posts, repulsing repeated attacks during a period of eight hours, and holding the enemy at bay until our counter-attack developed. Thanks to his magnificent example of coolness, determination and efficiency the situation, which might have become extremely critical, was retrieved.

(D.C.M. gazetted 22nd Oct. 1917.)

620163 Sjt. S. May, D.C.M., R.H.A. (Taunton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He obtained ammunition under the most difficult conditions, and having on his own initiative found out which battery was in need of it, he took up three wagon loads and delivered the same to the battery in question. He set a fine example of initiative and devotion to duty.

(D.C.M. gazetted 18th Feb. 1918.)

295478 Pte. W. B. Watson, D.C.M., R. Scot. Fus. (Lesmahagow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the battalion stretcher-bearers, he worked incessantly under extremely heavy fire, and it was due to his energy and great devotion to duty that many of the wounded cases were collected and safely evacuated. He displayed conspicuous gallantry, coolness and courage.

(D.C.M. gazetted 18th Feb. 1918.)

His Majesty the KING has been pleased to award the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned for gallantry and distinguished service in the Field:—

D/20999 Sq. S.M. F. Allsopp, Dns. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He continually went backwards and forwards between squadron headquarters and the front line under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, carrying orders. His courage and example were of the greatest assistance in the successful organisation and defence of the line.

513275 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) A. C. Anderson, Lond. R. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a rifle grenade section holding a post when the enemy attacked. When nearly all his men became casualties he quickly organised another section and held his ground against very superior numbers and under heavy fire until assistance arrived. His prompt and determined conduct held up the enemy when they were on the point of breaking into the post, and gained time for the remainder of the garrison to take up their position. He set a splendid example to his men.

12721 Pte. D. A. Ayley, Essex R. (Bishop's Stortford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy raiding one of our front line posts, he, when acting as stretcher-bearer, proceeded on his own initiative to the post, where he attended to the wounded. After assisting one of the wounded men back for 300 yards to the support line, he returned through the barrage, and, remaining at the post, dressed the wounds of ten others of the garrison, finally evacuating them successfully. His resource and devotion to duty cannot be too highly praised.

11644 L./Cpl. (A./Cpl.) G. Barker, Lin. R. (Grantham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a section of a

raiding party against the enemy's front line trenches, he led his party over the first trench to their objective in the main trench. When doing so he observed the enemy counter-attacking over the open against his position. By his initiative and resource this attack was repulsed and seven of the enemy killed. Whilst withdrawing from the trench his right foot was blown off, but being determined not to be taken prisoner, he made his way back to our lines, displaying the greatest courage, remarkable grit and fine powers of endurance.

318076 Rfn. H. Barker, Lond. R. (Canterbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When holding a bombing block which was surrounded during an enemy attack, he together with his serjeant were taken prisoners and were led into the hostile lines by an enemy officer and N.C.O. On passing a bomb store he seized a bomb and killed the N.C.O. while his serjeant killed the officer. They then made their escape and returned with valuable information.

2565 Cpl. W. Beales, R.A.F. (Grimsby).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst returning alone from a reconnaissance he was attacked by three enemy machines. Though he was wounded in the hand he drove down one of them out of control, and drove off the others in a running fight lasting ten minutes. On a later occasion he ably assisted his pilot in bringing down two enemy machines, one of which went down in flames. He performed excellent work during recent operations in engaging ground targets, often flying at very low altitudes under heavy fire. His keenness and determination have been a great incentive to the other N.C.Os. in his squadron.

16634 Sjt. W. W. Belcher, G. Gds. (Ware).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The enemy made a determined attack in great strength and penetrated a small section of the front line. He at once organised and led bombing parties with splendid courage and determination and drove the enemy back. The rapidity with which the enemy were ejected with heavy losses was largely due to his excellent leadership and the example which he set his men.

235519 Sjt. W. H. Binns, W. Rid. R. (Harrogate).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded a flanking party in a raid on the enemy's lines, rushed and captured a machine-gun, and killed three of the team. His platoon captured 37 prisoners and 3 machine-guns, and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. He showed splendid leadership and determination.

D/14166 Sjt. C. R. Broster, M.M., D. Gds. (Tattenhall).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He twice went forward from an advanced post under heavy machine-gun and shell fire, located the enemy infantry, and obtained valuable information. Later, when

his officer was wounded, he commanded his squadron with great ability. He set a splendid example of coolness and initiative.

14873 Cpl. E. Calton, Essex R. (Attleboro').

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of an isolated post which was attacked by a large force of the enemy. Though greatly outnumbered, he defended his post with great courage and determination, inflicted casualties on the enemy, and successfully drove them back.

20124 Pte. J. Caulfield, G. Gds. (Pontefract).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The enemy made a determined attack in great strength, and penetrated a small section of the front line. Without waiting for orders he at once attacked the advancing enemy with bombs, which he used with such accuracy and skill that the enemy were rapidly driven out with heavy losses. His prompt and courageous action was largely responsible for the rapid re-establishment of the position.

G/229681 Pte. H. J. Cavender, R. Fus. (Clerkenwell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signaller. He was wounded while repairing lines, but remained at duty. Later he was sent to a company whose signallers had all been put out of action, and kept up communication until all the lines were destroyed. When the enemy attacked he single-handedly occupied a post the garrison of which had all become casualties. He afterwards returned to his company and acted as runner and stretcher-bearer until he was again wounded. By his energy, courage and determination he set a splendid example to all ranks.

8/4267 Sjt. L. Cawthorn, M.M., North'd Fus. (Chopwell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a patrol of six other ranks he reconnoitred a post held by the enemy and brought back much useful information. On the following night he volunteered to proceed to the same spot, and on observing a patrol of six of the enemy approaching, he detailed one of the men with him to capture one of the enemy, who was separated from the rest of the patrol, in order to secure an identification. He with another man then attacked the remaining five of the enemy with bombs, accounting for all of them. Thanks to his coolness, judgment and daring, an identification was secured.

555168 L./C. J. Clamp, Lond. R. (Coalville).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He fired his Lewis gun with great success throughout an enemy attack. When the flanks were turned, he at once took up a new position and enfiladed the enemy with splendid effect. When his gun was put out of action he continued firing at the enemy with a rifle. Later, he assisted in bringing back two wounded officers. He showed great initiative and determination.

6366 Sjt. M. Clancy, M.M., L.N. Lanc. R. (Wigan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid, whilst directing his men towards the gap in the enemy wire, he heard calls for assistance from two men who were the first to penetrate the wire. Hurrying to the spot and finding these men engaged with eight of the enemy, he immediately disposed of four of the latter with his revolver, the remainder of the enemy fleeing. The success of the enterprise was entirely due to his courage and good leadership.

70083 Sjt. J. H. Collinge, R.F.A. (Burnley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the battery position being heavily shelled and the battery being ordered to withdraw, he led a team to remove the guns. Though several casualties were inflicted on the personnel, he succeeded in getting one gun away. He then led up a fresh team and was successful in pulling out the remaining guns. He rendered invaluable assistance to his commanding officer, and showed the greatest coolness and determination.

1828 Pte. M. Connolly, R.A.M.C. (Dublin).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On an advanced aid post being subjected to a prolonged bombardment, during which period two direct hits from enemy shells were registered on it, he stayed at his post, and wherever casualties occurred he went out to bring in the wounded, rescuing six men in such a manner. Throughout this period he afforded magnificent proof of utter contempt for danger and outstanding devotion to duty.

930074 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) A. J. Copus, R.F.A. (Woolwich, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He was wounded while extinguishing a fire at his gun early in the day, but remained at duty until night, when the attack ceased. It was largely owing to his splendid example of contempt of danger that the battery was able to work so efficiently under heavy shell fire.

200288 Sjt. E. Cornwall, M.M., L'pool R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. When an enemy machine gun opened fire on the raiding party he at once led his platoon forward, rushed the gun with the bayonet, and put the team to flight. He then turned the gun on to the enemy as they retired. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

51719 Cpl. E. Currey, M.G.C. (Letchworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though he was rendered unconscious by a shell and slightly wounded, he continued to advance as soon as he recovered, and brought his machine gun into action. He showed great skill and courage throughout the engagement.

575 Cpl. A. S. Dobell, M.M., M.G.C. (Chesham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his machine gun with great skill and coolness until the enemy were within a few yards of his position, when he himself covered the withdrawal of his gun and team, killing several of the leading men of the enemy. Two days later this N.C.O. acted in a similarly gallant manner, and but for his great courage and cool judgment serious casualties would have been inflicted on his gun team.

143024 C./S./M. R. M. Doidge, R.E. (Mitcham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst awaiting orders to withdraw he was taken prisoner by the enemy. Being in possession at the time of documents of great value to the enemy, he by his coolness and ingenuity succeeded in hiding himself from his captors, destroying the documents, and, in escaping to our lines, bringing with him valuable information. His work as serjeant-major has been invaluable, and he has at all times set a very high example of courage and devotion to duty to all ranks.

1429 Sjt. E. J. Elton, M.M., R.A.F. (Wimborne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the past month he has destroyed six hostile machines and brought down another out of control. On two of these occasions he has caused two enemy planes to crash to earth, although on each occasion his formation was fighting against very heavy odds. He has at all times displayed the most marked courage, skill and determination.

14/992 Sjt. C. Firth, York & Lanc. R. (Worsboro' Bridge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the left flank of a raiding party he led his men forward through heavy machine-gun fire, killed a dozen of the enemy, captured two prisoners, and then skilfully withdrew his party. Hearing on his arrival in our lines that there were some wounded lying out in "No Man's Land," he returned at once, and did not come in again until satisfied that all the casualties had been brought in. He showed the greatest gallantry and coolness.

276834 Sjt. A. Fraser, R.G.A. (Dover).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his guns in action under heavy shell fire, and although wounded on two occasions, returned to his gun and carried on his duties until the position was evacuated. His determination and courageous endurance were most praiseworthy.

29955 Sjt. W. Fraser, M.M., L'pool R. (Battersea, S.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy had penetrated our lines and the situation became critical, he collected a few men and rushed up to a position from which he could bring fire to bear on to the enemy, causing heavy casualties amongst them. Though a hostile machine-

gun opened a heavy and accurate fire on his party, he continued to fire until wounded.

147025 Cpl. J. Freebury, R.E. (Swindon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, with seven other ranks, held up the enemy for two hours until reinforcements arrived. The enemy, after several attempts to penetrate the line, held up a white flag. Thinking that the enemy were about to surrender, he beckoned to the party to come forward, but was immediately fired upon. Whereupon he shot the man holding the white flag and opened rapid fire on the remainder of the party. His courage, determination and leadership were of a high order.

281613 L./C. E. Freeman, Lond. R. (Waltham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as Lewis gunner. He went forward with his platoon during an enemy attack, occupied an advanced position under heavy fire, and helped to bring a Lewis gun into action against a large number of the enemy who were advancing. When the N.C.O. in charge of the gun and the Number 1 were killed, he at once took charge and fired the gun until the enemy's advance was checked. He saved the situation by his coolness and courage at a critical time.

300040 C.S.M. A. Gibb, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a Lewis gun team, which had been sent out to protect an exposed flank, lost touch owing to the difficult nature of the ground, he at once went out under heavy machine gun fire, and, though severely wounded, located the Lewis gun and brought it into action. He showed great courage and initiative.

14880 B.S.M. J. Grant, R.G.A. (Plymouth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the battery was shelléd and a dug-out was blown in, he at once organised a party to rescue six men who were buried in the debris. In spite of continuous shell fire he remained at work in the open until the men were extricated. He set a splendid example of courage and self-sacrifice.

227425 Cpl. J. Harte, R.E. (South Shields).

For conspicuous gallantry, devotion to duty and resourcefulness under dangerous and trying circumstances. This N.C.O. was in charge of a barge, with a crew of six sappers, which broke adrift from a tug in a storm. The tug was not seen again, but, with able seamanship and judgment, he kept the barge safe until she was blown ashore and looted by hostile natives. With great initiative he brought his men to a friendly port after enduring hardships for fifteen days.

345018 A./C.S.M. W. Henderson, R. Highrs. (Kelty).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He reorganised and led his company

under heavy fire in an attack after his company commander had become a casualty. He showed splendid courage throughout.

Stk./1416 L./C. W. J. Holt, R. Fus. (Manor Place, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He led his section forward in daylight through a heavy barrage to reinforce the front line. He repulsed several determined thrusts by the enemy, and kept his Lewis gun in action until all the team had become casualties and all his ammunition was exhausted. He showed great courage and determination.

2202936 Pte. (A./L./C.) R. A. Hudson, W. Rid. R. (Yeadon, near Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's lines. He commanded a flanking section which rushed a trench and killed several of the enemy. His platoon captured thirty-seven prisoners and three machine guns, and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. He showed splendid determination and initiative.

56060 Sjt. J. Humm, R.G.A. (Bermondsey).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his gun in action for several hours under intense shell fire, sometimes with the assistance of only one man, the remainder of the detachment having become casualties. He showed great courage and coolness.

550382 C.S.M. C. L. Ives, Lond. R. (Norwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. When his company were driven out of their trench he established a bombing block in the communication trench and held it for six hours against all the enemy's attacks. He thus made possible the organisation of the next line of resistance. He rendered valuable service and set a splendid example of courage and determination.

L/3230 Sjt. A. Jeffery, Lrs. (Notting Hill, W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the flank of his troop was left exposed he led forward a patrol 500 yards ahead of the line under intense shell and machine gun fire, and located an enemy machine gun. His prompt and gallant action cleared up a critical situation, and enabled the troop to be successfully extricated from their position.

302828 Coy. Q.M. Sjt. (A./Coy. S.M.) J. Johnstone, R. Scots (Morningside, nr. Newmains).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the first advance, when the company commander had become a casualty, he acted as second in command to the sole surviving officer and rendered valuable assistance in re-organising the company. He showed a splendid example of devotion to duty and of contempt for danger.

S/13397 Cpl. H. K. Jolly, Rif. Bde. (Highbury New Park, N.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Seeing a party of his company bombers held up in a communication trench, he dashed along the outside of the trench with a machine gun in front of his bombers, firing the gun as he went. Having thus cleared away the enemy, he jumped into the trench, but finding a further party of the enemy who were still holding up his company's advance, he rushed at them round a traverse and killed several with his gun, thus completing their defeat. His energy, determination and courage were most marked.

L/29599 Gnr. E. A. Kirby, M.M., R.F.A. (Croydon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was telephonist at an exchange situated in a tunnel which was blown in by enemy shell fire. The exchange was destroyed, and he was partially buried. On being extricated he went over the open under heavy shell fire to send back information of what had occurred, and then laid a wire to the battery position while the shelling continued, and kept up communication throughout the night. He showed magnificent coolness and initiative.

37557 Sjt. R. Knudtzon, R.G.A. (W Kensington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an enemy attack, in which his battery was subjected to a severe bombardment, he kept his gun in action, and by his coolness instilled the utmost confidence in his detachment. Later, he rendered valuable service in attending to some wounded officers, whom he assisted to the dressing-station under heavy fire. His gallantry and coolness were of the highest order.

553679 Cpl. H. Lewis, Lond. R. (Mile End).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He fired his Lewis gun at the advancing enemy from an exposed position, and inflicted very heavy casualties. When his gun was destroyed and his team put out of action, he went back to the trench, found another gun whose team had all become casualties, returned to his forward position, and continued to fire with great effect. He showed splendid initiative and determination.

550454 C.S.M. H. Lintott, Lond. R. (Ashford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. When the flanks of his trench were penetrated he fought a rearguard action with the greatest determination. By bombing the enemy he enabled the Lewis guns of his company to get into action and inflict heavy casualties. He rendered valuable service, and set a splendid example of coolness and courage.

493540 Pte. R. B. McCoy, R.A.M.C. (Maidstone).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the aerodrome of the squadron to which he was attached was attacked by enemy aircraft. He was badly wounded in

the thigh by the first bomb that fell, and, though he could only walk with great difficulty, he struggled towards the other casualties and attended to them while bombs were still dropping and the enemy aeroplanes were attacking the aerodrome with machine-gun fire. His splendid courage and self-sacrifice saved the life of a man who would have died had he not been attended to immediately.

448 Sjt. T. C. McCracken, M.M., M.M.G. Serv. (Ayre).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When he went forward with an officer to find out the enemy's dispositions, on his return journey he was cut off by the enemy, and had to fight his way along a road through the enemy, numbers of whom he killed, dispersing the remainder. Having reached his gun position, he stood fast with two other men and effected a tremendous execution in the enemy ranks at very close range. After the enemy had been driven back, he then successfully withdrew his gun intact. His valour and coolness were worthy of the highest praise.

60531 B.S.M. W. McCurrach, R.F.A. (Aberdeen).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The battery wagon lines were heavily shelled and many casualties were caused to men and horses. He assisted in getting the remaining men and horses away and then attended to the wounded. He prevented many casualties by his coolness and disregard of danger.

126658 Pte. J. MacGregor, Lovat's Scouts (Bonar Bridge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the enemy attack, when all communication with an important observation post was cut, he volunteered and succeeded in reaching the post through an intense barrage, carrying forward two pigeons with him. He was thus able to send back information as to the general situation and the hostile positions. He displayed marked gallantry and determination.

322100 Cpl. R. A. MacLean, R.G.A. (Truro).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy opening up a rapid rate of fire on the battery area all communication with the forward section was severed. Volunteering at once to repair the broken lines he traversed the whole length of the wires several times, and since the lines were broken as soon as they were repaired he carried out a fresh wire, being badly wounded when he had laid the line for a distance of 650 yards and being only short of completion by fifty yards. His courage, perseverance and devotion to duty were beyond all praise.

D/13862 Cpl. E. Mason, D. Gds. (Duffton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When ordered to man an observation post which overlooked a village which the enemy were on the point of attacking, he had to pass through an intense barrage. He remained at this post until dark, sending back throughout the day most accurate and valuable reports regarding hostile movements

and dispositions, information which was obtained at great personal risk. He has on previous occasions shown the same utter disregard for personal danger and is a most reliable N.C.O.

470722 Sjt. A. G. Meacham, M.M., Lond. R., attd. T.M. By. (Ealing).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was ordered to attach himself with a few men to the nearest infantry during an enemy attack, and assisted in defending the position. When almost surrounded he withdrew a short distance, established a bombing post and held up the enemy's advance for two hours with rifle fire and bombs, inflicting very heavy casualties. When the position became untenable he was ordered to withdraw gradually, and he accounted for large numbers of the enemy at each position. When one of his men was wounded while crossing the open he went to his assistance, dressed his wound and brought him into our line under very heavy fire. He showed splendid courage, initiative and leadership, which assisted greatly in holding up the enemy's advance for a considerable period.

203351 L./C. A. Moon, W. Rid. R. (Watford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's lines. He kept a Lewis gun in action in "No Man's Land" throughout the operation and covered the withdrawal of the raiding party. Later, he went twice into "No Man's Land" and carried in two wounded men under heavy fire. He displayed great coolness and initiative.

WR/503160 L./C. R. Nettleship, R.E. (Newark).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in charge of a motor launch he ran it continuously through heavy shell fire, handling it with the utmost skill. On three separate occasions he volunteered to run his boat through to the advance dressing station, and on each occasion succeeded in doing so. His courage and resource were most marked.

3/12274 Pte. E. Nightingale, Essex R. (Southend).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy attacking an isolated front line post he at once took charge of the defence after ten of the garrison had become casualties. With the assistance of the remaining two men he repulsed the enemy, who were thus prevented from obtaining an identification. He displayed the most marked courage and determination.

511304 L./C. R. V. Northen, Lond. R. (Brockley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a section of bombers at a block in a communication trench had all become casualties he at once organised a bombing party and drove back the enemy with heavy casualties. His prompt and determined action prevented the enemy from entering the post and gained time for reinforcements to get into position. He set a splendid example to his men.

D/20976 Sjt. C. W. Ogden, Dns. (Belvoir).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised several working parties and collected tools under intense shell and machine-gun fire thereby enabling his men to dig themselves in and obtain cover and preventing many casualties. His gallant and determined conduct throughout the day enabled a successful defence to be maintained.

D/9387 Pte. A. Onions, D. Gds. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as stretcher-bearer. He continually went forward under intense shelling to attend to the wounded, and on one occasion carried in on his back a badly wounded man. He showed splendid courage, energy, and determination.

C/7740 Pte. (L./C.) R. Paul, K.R.R.C. (Brighton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Though the enemy penetrated into the support line behind him, he maintained his position in the front line trench under intense fire, and used his Lewis gun with great effect. He displayed magnificent courage and leadership.

12059 Sjt. G. H. Pollington, M.M., Norf. R. (Downham Market).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of one of our front line posts the enemy attempted to raid the post with a party of forty strong. Owing to his coolness and initiative he organised his party in such an able manner that the enemy were successfully repulsed. On a later occasion he was in command of the same post when a large raiding party of the enemy penetrated our front line and fired into the post from the rear with a machine gun. He immediately led some of his men into a communication trench, where a hand-to-hand struggle ensued, during which he was knocked down and dragged half way across "No Man's Land" by the enemy. He then pulled off his steel helmet, hit his two captors in the face with it, and made good his escape. Thanks to his initiative and great courage the enemy were prevented from capturing the post.

59619 L.5Sjt. L. F. Poole, M.M., R. Fus. (Sydenham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy had attacked and gained a footing in the front line he took part in three counter-attacks. He was of the greatest assistance in leading bombing parties, and when his officer was wounded he took command and continued to lead his men forward. He drove the enemy back out of the trenches and completely restored the position. He showed splendid leadership and determination.

318048 Sjt. C. Pullen, Lond. R. (Willesden Green).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a bombing block which was surrounded during an enemy

attack, and he and one of his men became prisoners and were led into the hostile lines by an enemy officer and an N.C.O. On passing a bomb store he seized a bomb and killed the officer whilst his comrade killed the N.C.O. They then made their escape and returned with valuable information.

86012 Cpl. T. H. Raeburn, R.F.A. (Bermundsey).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a trench mortar. His position was subjected to an intense bombardment throughout the day, during which the emplacement received 10 direct hits and was badly damaged. Under heavy and constant fire he worked with his detachment, keeping the emplacement in repair so as to be able to fire his mortar during the operations which were to take place that night. Though the mortar received a direct hit and was damaged, he repaired it under the most difficult conditions and heavy fire in time for the operations. He set a magnificent example of courage, determination and resource.

40938 Sjt. W. Ridgeon, M.M., R.G.A. (Bury St. Edmunds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile attack he, with another man, volunteered to assist the battery signallers, and for 36 hours they patrolled the line between the battery and the observation post under heavy fire of all kinds. By his initiative and gallantry he was thus able to preserve communication with the observation post intact, this line being during a considerable period the only means of transmitting information.

18679 Spr. (A./2nd/Cpl.) H. J. Sewell, R.E. (Sheerness).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of forward communications. When all the lines had been cut by heavy shell fire he succeeded in restoring communication with the help of two linesmen at least eight times while the shelling still continued. He overcame all difficulties by his splendid coolness and determination.

2507 Cpl. (A./L./Sjt.) H. Sharp, R. Highrs. (Perth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made several reconnaissances in preparation for a raid and obtained valuable information. He led one of the two assaulting parties in the raid, and though he had considerable difficulty in getting through the enemy's wire he succeeded in entering the trench and reached his objective. He showed splendid initiative and determination.

775224 Sjt. H. Smith, M.M., R.F.A. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While the battery was in action it was very heavily shelled, and one of his guns received a direct hit which killed three and wounded two of the detachment. With one man he at once set to work to extricate the wounded under very heavy fire, and while they were doing so a shell burst close to them, killing one of the wounded men. Though the battery commander ordered the evacua-

tion of the position owing to the intensity of the shelling, he remained at work until he had removed the remaining wounded man. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

240529 Pte. R. Smith, North'd Fus. (Dudley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In preparation for a raid he carried out several reconnaissances and rendered valuable assistance in the organisation of the enterprise by the information which he acquired concerning the enemy's position. During the raid he led the men of his section to an enemy post, and personally put three of the enemy out of action. He also assisted in the capture of an enemy officer and another prisoner. He showed splendid courage and initiative.

127 Sjt. S. B. Smith, M.M.G. Serv. (Paisley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the order being given to withdraw, he was left, with his two guns, to cover the retirement. For over half an hour he held up the advancing enemy, and on falling back further, he stopped at every favourable opportunity in order to bring his guns into action, harassing the enemy with the greatest effect by his fire, and inflicting very severe losses on them. By his masterly handling of his guns he undoubtedly held up the enemy for sufficient time to allow the infantry to gain their next position. He commanded his section with the greatest ability and courage.

25093 Cpl. W. R. Smith, Worc. R. (Daglingworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With two men he was detached from a fighting patrol to form a listening post close to the enemy's lines. He encountered four of the enemy and took them all prisoners. A few minutes later, when a larger party of the enemy appeared, though he was encumbered with his four prisoners, he at once attacked the enemy, put two of them out of action and dispersed the remainder. He displayed great initiative and courage.

835636 Sjt. W. A. Sparrow, M.M., R.F.A. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a tunnel in which the battery was sheltering was blown in, and all the officers and several men were buried, he at once took command and began the work of rescue under heavy fire. He extricated several men who were only partially buried, though the roof of the tunnel was threatening to fall in upon him. He showed splendid courage and initiative.

STK/1650 Cpl. C. J. Spencer, R. Fus. (N. Eltham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He was in command of a Lewis-gun post on the left of the position which bore the brunt of the enemy's initial attack, and the subsequent bombing attacks. He repulsed four determined attacks, which lasted for eight hours,

and when all his men were put out of action he continued to fire his gun alone until reinforcements arrived. He set a magnificent example of courage and determination.

R/5093 Sjt. A. Steele, M.M., K.R.R.C. (Perth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His company was holding a portion of a trench outside the village, when the enemy succeeded in driving our men back. This N.C.O. led a counter-attack which forced the enemy back, and following up this success by fierce bombing, succeeded in driving them right back. Throughout he showed the greatest courage and tenacity.

125192 L./Cpl. A. Stevenson, Lovat's Scouts (now R.A.F.) (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When on duty in an observation post he accurately observed and reported the movements of the enemy, though under continual shell fire, and though he himself was slightly gassed. When telephonic communication failed, he semaphored messages to the rear, despite the intense shell and machine-gun fire around his post. Sending back the other observer with an important message, he himself remained behind until the enemy were within 100 yards of his post. Having reported to headquarters all details regarding the hostile attack, he ascended a tree observation post under heavy machine-gun fire and continued to observe from this position until the light failed. The information which he obtained was of the highest military value, and he behaved throughout the day in a manner beyond all praise.

12801 Sjt. A. Tait, North'd Fus. (Amble).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Before a raid he did valuable patrol work, and by his keenness and skill assisted greatly in the preparations for the operation. During the raid he took a prominent part in hand-to-hand fighting, in which all the enemy who offered resistance were put out of action. He showed great courage and skill.

67900 Sjt. J. Taylor, M.M., R.E. (Poplar, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a withdrawal he entered three villages with a party of sappers and succeeded in destroying all the machinery and appliances for the water supply without the aid of explosives. It was owing to his splendid coolness and initiative under adverse conditions that the water supply of the area was successfully destroyed.

8908 Sjt. H. Thompson, Hamps. R. (Kington Lane, London, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was with the support platoon of his company when the enemy attacked. He at once rushed forward over the open and took command of part of the front line. He reported the situation to his company commander, going across the open through a heavy barrage in order to do so. When ammunition was running short he organised and led a party and carried ammunition to

the front line over open and shell-swept ground. His courageous and determined leadership prevented the enemy from gaining a footing in the trenches, and enabled his company to drive them back with heavy losses.

26994 Pte. J. Todd, Bord. R. (Whitehaven).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy raid. When the enemy opened a heavy barrage on the line of posts he went forward in advance of one of the posts with ammunition for a Lewis gun and assisted in dispersing a party of about 40 of the enemy who were advancing. When the Lewis gun was put out of action by a trench mortar bomb he remained at his post, covered the withdrawal of the remainder of the section with his revolver, and was still at his post when his section advanced to re-establish the position. He set a splendid example of courage and determination.

24821 L./C. J. Turton, S. Wales Bord. (Wigan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile attack, when in charge of the company runners, he at once proceeded to the front line trench, and, with the utmost coolness, went from post to post, indicating targets to the men, and himself accounting for several of the enemy. It was largely owing to his disregard for danger and coolness that resistance to the attack was co-ordinated along the whole of the company front. His conduct throughout afforded a most inspiring example to all ranks.

112265 Sjt. J. Walker, R.E. (Govan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of a section, and by his great keenness and courage so encouraged and inspired his men that the advancing enemy were prevented from reaching our trenches owing to the steady rate of fire directed against them. On a previous occasion during an intense hostile barrage he dressed wounded men and helped them to a place of safety at great personal risk. During his three years' active service he has at all times proved himself to be an N.C.O. of the highest type.

677104 Cpl. J. Wilson, R.F.A. (Birkenhead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was No. 1 of a forward anti-tank gun, and in spite of intense shell and machine-gun fire he kept his gun in action during an enemy attack. When the gun-layer was killed and two of the detachment were wounded he continued to fire his gun over open sights at the advancing enemy, and inflicted heavy casualties. He showed splendid courage and coolness.

11088 Gnr. W. Woodbridge, R.G.A. ("E." London).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of his gun when all the senior N.C.O.'s had become casualties and fought it, assisted by two others, until ordered to withdraw. During the evacuation of the position he afforded his comrades a

magnificent example of courage and devotion to duty.

R/36973 Sjt. J. Woodhouse, K.R.R.C. (Preston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A post which he was holding with 4 men was raided by a party of about 14 of the enemy. He at once opened fire and attacked the enemy, killing three of them himself, including the leader, while his men killed one other. Though two of his men had become casualties he succeeded in driving off the remainder of the enemy and then followed them up and fired on them with a Lewis gun. He set a magnificent example of courage and leadership.

4/7856 Cpl. G. Wright, M.M., W. Yorks. R. (Drighlington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was one of a patrol which crossed a river and attacked an enemy post a mile away from our lines. The party killed several of the enemy and he then assisted in withdrawing them to our lines without a casualty. He set a magnificent example of coolness and courage.

S/8843 Cpl. J. Yarley, R. Highrs. (Cardenden).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a party in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He made a very determined effort to get through the enemy's wire, and when ordered to withdraw in order to allow the wire to be blown up, he lay down so close to the charge that his right arm was injured by the explosion. He nevertheless led his men into the enemy's trenches, reached his objective, and inflicted casualties on the enemy. He showed splendid dash and leadership throughout.

CANADIAN FORCE.

2450 Pte. A. B. Capnerhurst, L. Strath. Horse.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the course of an attack he was with the advanced troop of his regiment, and while going through a wood observed one of the enemy in a trench ahead. Accompanied by one other man he rushed the trench, causing 20 of the enemy to surrender and capturing three machine guns. His dash and initiative were worthy of the highest praise.

180597 Pte. M. Carter, Can. L.T.M. Bty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He with another man was in a trench-mortar emplacement in action against the enemy. Whilst he was in the act of dropping a bomb into the barrel, the fly lever flew off and the fuze ignited. On the gun missing fire he tipped up the barrel, seized the bomb and threw it out of the pit. As the bomb left his hands it exploded, the force of the explosion knocking him down. He acted with the most commendable promptitude, and at the risk of his own life saved the life of his companion and prevented the destruction of the gun and the pit.

234115 L./C. C. L. Cawston, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy raid. A party of the enemy succeeded in entering the front line and began to bomb along it. Though his Lewis gun had been put out of action he held up the enemy with rifle fire, and though heavily outnumbered drove them back in disorder, killing their leader and capturing two prisoners. He showed splendid initiative and determination.

510 Sqdn. S. M. J. Copeland, Dns.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great dash and gallantry in the charge made by his squadron against numerous hostile machine guns. After the enemy had been routed from one portion of the wood he supervised the evacuation of the wounded under continuous machine-gun fire. He set a splendid example to the men, and rendered most valuable assistance in the enemy's repulse.

A/20479 C.S.M. J. Gibb, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all his officers became casualties during a prolonged and heavy enemy bombardment, he took command and showed the greatest determination and coolness. He continually passed up and down the line under heavy fire, serving out extra ammunition, organising stretcher-bearers, and attending to the wounded. He was blown up by a heavy shell but remained at his post although he was severely shaken. He maintained the spirits of his men and inspired them with confidence by his splendid example.

252076 Pte. L. J. Graham, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was one of a patrol which went forward in daylight to reconnoitre an enemy sniping post. Two sniping plates were seen, and he went forward to examine one of them. Just as he was about to look through the hole in the plate an enemy sniper put his rifle through, almost touching his face. He at once seized the rifle and tore it from the enemy's hands, dragging the plate with it. He then jumped over the parapet, killed the enemy sniper, and then pursued and killed another who had made off. Later on the same day he went forward again in daylight and bombed and put out of action four of the enemy who had been seen entering the post. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

700188 Cpl. G. Hemstock, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer and platoon serjeant became casualties during a prolonged and heavy enemy bombardment he at once took command of the platoon. He continually passed up and down the trench under heavy fire organising the defence with the greatest coolness and contempt of danger. He maintained the spirits of his men and inspired them with confidence throughout the bombardment by his splendid example.

2697 Sjt. C. McD. Hodgson, L. Strath. Horse.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the enemy had retired, he volunteered to go out and bring in a hostile machine gun with its ammunition. At great personal risk he went close up to the enemy line and succeeded in carrying the gun and ammunition back under heavy fire. It was used with great effect in a subsequent attack on the enemy. His dash and initiative were most commendable.

408569 Sjt. J. A. Hunter, Mt. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He led his men to the objective, where he encountered strong opposition, but succeeded in killing several of the enemy and captured a prisoner. He forced the prisoner to shout down a dug-out and tell his comrades to come out, with the result that ten more of the enemy were captured. He showed splendid courage and initiative throughout.

117325 Pte. W. Jolley, Fort Garry Horse.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the attack he was one of the first to enter the wood, and he personally killed two of the enemy, assisting in the capture of a number of others. Later, during intense shell and machine-gun fire he carried six wounded men to places of safety, and was in the act of carrying away a seventh when he was himself wounded in both legs. His gallant conduct was the means of saving the lives of many of his comrades.

446548 Pte. M. Kosko, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's lines. When his officer was wounded early in the operation he assisted greatly in keeping the party organised. He was the first of his group to enter the enemy trenches, and showed great keenness and disregard of danger. During the withdrawal he carried a badly wounded man a distance of 250 yards to a stretcher under heavy fire.

415964 A./Sjt. A. A. Mason, Mt. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He led his men with great skill, bombing his way to the objective and overcoming all opposition. He destroyed two large dug-outs and killed two of the enemy, one of whom was an officer. When the withdrawal was ordered he saw that all his men were clear of the enemy's trenches before withdrawing himself. He showed splendid courage and leadership throughout.

505993 Spr. J. L. Mosdell, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great skill and coolness in handling mobile charges under heavy fire during a raid on the enemy's lines. He used his charges with splendid effect and did a large amount of damage to enemy dug-outs. During the withdrawal from the enemy's lines he assisted in carrying in a badly wounded man.

15166 Sjt. G. E. Neil, M.G. Sqdn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At great personal risk he obtained and used most effectively several captured enemy machine guns, and throughout a period of five days' heavy and continuous fighting handled his command with marked skill, initiative and determination.

117486 Sqdn. S.M. J. S. Price, M.M., L. Strath. Horse.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the charge made by his squadron, when all the officers had become casualties, he, with admirable coolness and decision, grasped the situation and drew the remainder of the squadron off to the edge of the wood. There he collected and reformed them, and finally cleared the wood completely of the enemy. His judgment and initiative were the means of avoiding many casualties.

754805 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) H. Rose, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy raid. A party of the enemy succeeded in entering the front line and began to bomb along it. He at once organised counter-attacks, drove the enemy out in disorder, killing their leader, and captured two prisoners. He showed splendid initiative and determination.

2270346 Pte. B. Walker, L. Strath. Horse.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the course of an attack he was with the advanced troop of his regiment, and while going through a wood observed one of the enemy in a trench ahead. Accompanied by one other man, he rushed the trench, causing twenty of the enemy to surrender, and capturing three machine guns. His dash and initiative were worthy of the highest praise.

871993 C.Q.M.S. J. Watson, Rail. Troops.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a withdrawal he succeeded in removing all the stores and equipment of his company under an intense bombardment. On the following day when rations were urgently needed he went to a ration dump which was under heavy shell fire and obtained the necessary supplies. On another occasion he volunteered to remain behind and endeavour to salvage stores and equipment under heavy fire. He showed splendid coolness and resource.

14643 Sjt. W. Willis, Fort Garry Horse.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of a squadron in the attack on a wood, and led the charge on two enemy machine guns. Though wounded, he continued to lead his men, and, having reached his objective, was organising the defence of the position when he was again seriously wounded. His courage, determination and skilful leadership contributed greatly to the success of the operation.

AUSTRALIAN FORCE.

3809 Cpl. W. R. Fuller, Aust. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy raiding our front line posts after a severe bombardment, he distributed his men in order to avoid casualties, keeping with himself two men and a machine gun. When the enemy were upon him the machine gun jammed, but he threw bombs until the gun came into action again. Though a shell landed in the post, wounding and partly burying him, and killing one of the gunners, he maintained the defence single handed until he was again wounded. His courage, initiative and determination cannot be too highly praised.

1250 Sjt. L. Kaiser, M.M., F. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the battery was being heavily shelled he assisted in digging out three men who had been buried in a dug-out and carrying them to safety. He then carried a badly wounded officer to cover and returned to his gun to satisfy himself as to the safety of his men. Later, under heavy fire he assisted in extinguishing a fire in a gun pit which had been caused by enemy shelling.

2279 Pte. E. A. Reading, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy raid. He held a post single-handed, and maintained his position, though he was attacked from two directions. He was badly shaken by the explosion of a bomb, but continued to bomb the enemy. He killed three of them, captured three wounded prisoners and drove off several more of the enemy. He set a magnificent example of courage, initiative and determination.

NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

12/4137 Sjt. T. Black, Auck. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men in an attack against a strong enemy position with such determination that the position was quickly taken and many prisoners and machine guns were captured. He showed splendid courage and coolness, which were an excellent example to his men throughout the operations.

26783 Sjt. J. H. Brewer, M.M., Auck. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When his officer and platoon serjeant became casualties early in the attack, he took command of his platoon. Though severely wounded he continued to advance and consolidated his portion of the line. He took command of a number of other men in addition to his own, and showed great skill in handling his Lewis guns and making dispositions so as to minimise casualties. He was under heavy fire throughout, and showed magnificent courage and determination.

18758 Sjt. N. W. Buckthought, Auck. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He single-handed attacked an enemy machine gun which was

holding up the advance and causing casualties, shot the team, and put the gun out of action. He showed splendid courage and determination.

10/2542 L./Cpl. (T./Cpl.) L. T. Carins, Well. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He mended broken telephone wires under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and established and maintained communication over exposed ground throughout the attack. He set a splendid example of courage and coolness.

10/4115 Sjt. F. Heaton, Well. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men with great dash and determination in an attack, advanced beyond his objective, and put out of action two enemy machine guns which were enfilading the troops who were advancing on his right. His prompt action enabled the right flank to continue the advance and reach the objective. He set a splendid example to his men.

14272 Cpl. E. Jordan, Auck. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He led his section against a party of the enemy who were using a machine gun with deadly effect, killed the whole party, and then advanced along a sap and drove back another body of the enemy. He showed splendid courage and determination throughout the operations.

10/1282 Sjt. M. Macaskill, Well. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. While the captured position was being consolidated the enemy attempted to bring a machine gun into action. He at once rushed the gun and put it out of action, killing all the team. His prompt and courageous action prevented many casualties, and was a splendid example to his men.

8/596 Pte. A. MacDonald, Otago R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went out into No Man's Land in daylight with one man to reconnoitre a new enemy work which he had observed, and found 5 of the enemy holding a sniping post. He and his comrade at once attacked the post, killed one of the enemy and captured the remainder. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative to his comrades.

12/1725 C.S.M. E. S. Moss, Auck. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When his company commander was wounded he took an active part in leading the attack on an enemy strong point which was offering resistance. He showed great courage and skill.

24076 Cpl. G. L. Stuart, Auck. R., attd. L.T.M. By.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. By his excellent handling of his trench mortar and skilful observation work

he succeeded in preventing several enemy machine guns from firing. Later, on hearing that the infantry were held up by a strong point and had run out of bombs, he collected all available ammunition and advanced his gun to a point from which he could get direct observation. He brought his gun into action at a critical moment, and was responsible for the capture of about 40 of the enemy and 6 machine guns. He set a magnificent example of coolness and determination.

48107 Pte. A. L. Sturmev, Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When with his section, which held its position against greatly superior enemy forces until the latter had reached to within 20 yards, he performed most brilliant work in organising parties to cover the withdrawal to another position. He then assisted to fire a machine gun, and by his boldness under heavy fire materially assisted in the final repulse of the enemy. Himself accounting for 14 of the enemy, he afforded such an inspiring example of courage and initiative that a very small party were able to effect tremendous execution in the enemy ranks.

23/1224 Pte. C. A. Tucker, Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of his section, he held his position until the enemy were within twenty yards. He continually exposed himself with great boldness in organising parties to cover the withdrawal. When the N.C.O. in charge of a machine gun became a casualty, he took over the gun and used it with great effect on the enemy as they advanced up to the wire, which he had placed across the parapet of a strong point, his section alone accounting for ninety of the enemy. His work and conduct throughout the action afforded a most inspiring example to all ranks.

AMENDMENTS.

The following are the correct descriptions of Non-commissioned Officers to whom the Distinguished Conduct Medal was recently awarded:—

London Gazette, 1st January, 1918.

53208 Cpl. A. Brooker, R.H.A.
700013 Sjt. (A./B.S.M.) R. A. B. Griffith, R.F.A.
655481 Cpl. (Shoe Smith) J. Sharpe, R.F.A.
925173 Cpl. H. Withers, R.F.A.

London Gazette, 25th August, 1917.

20049 Sjt. W. Aistrophe, M.G.C.

London Gazette, 1st May, 1918.

345046 L./C. T. F. Jones, Lond. R., attd. K.R. Rif. C.
S/9759 Cpl. A. E. Shrapnell, Sea. Highrs.

London Gazette, 28th March, 1918.

201928 Pte. J. Tunstall, N. Staff. R.

London Gazette, 11th April, 1918.

16314 Tpr. R. Maxwell, Imp. Camel Corps,
N. Zealand.

London Gazette, 3rd March, 1918.

H.45711 R.S.M. W. J. O. Huxley, Hrs.

London Gazette, 4th March, 1918.

67735 Sjt. F. S. Iball, R.F.A.

London Gazette, 28th March, 1918.

4664 Sjt. W. J. Peoples, Welsh R.

London Gazette, 1st May, 1918.

2 Sjt. J. R. Allan, S. Af. Rif.

London Gazette, 1st January, 1918.

9614 Sjt. J. McIntosh, Gord. Highrs.

Alteration of Names.

5390 L./Cpl. P. Pickles, Hrs., awarded the D.C.M. in the London Gazette dated 3rd June, 1915. This soldier (now deceased) enlisted under the assumed name of "J. Pickering."

The announcement of the award of the D.C.M. to the undermentioned, which appeared in the London Gazette on 11th April, 1918, is cancelled, and the award of a Bar to the D.C.M. is substituted in this Gazette:—

19560 Cpl. D. Boyd, R.E.

620163 Sjt. S. May, R.H.A.

295478 Pte. W. B. Watson, R. Scots Fus.

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